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STOCKPILE ANNOUNCES LEAD SALES FOR FEBRUARY 2004

Fort Belvoir, VA - The Defense National Stockpile Center today announced the aggregated February 2004 lead sales results under the Basic Ordering Agreement, DLA-Lead-005.

During February, DNSC sold 3,850 metric tons of Lead for an overall value of approximately \$3,300,000.

The companies that were awarded material are:

Canada Metal (Eastern) Ltd., Saint Leonard Canada Greenwich Metals, Inc., Greenwich CT Powercom Services, Inc., Atlanta, GA Ney Smelting & Refining, Brooklyn, NY

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